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Tutor Teaching Tips

Repeated Reading • T-4

MATERIALS

Reading
 Passage:
 Part 1 (2 copies)

Timing device;
 Graph

Reading
 Passage:
 Part 2 (2 copies)

Game cards

Introducing the Passage



5 minutes

Read part 1 of the passage *Lance Armstrong* to provide a model of fluent reading. Read with expression at a normal reading pace, taking about one minute to read the passage.

Give the child a copy of the passage. Read the passage again, having the child read along with you. If he/she has difficulty reading along, slow the pace or read a small chunk (one or two sentences), and then have the child read that chunk with you. Continue reading smaller chunks until you and the child have read the entire passage. Read the entire passage with the child one or two more times.

Building Fluency



5–10 minutes

Have the child read the passage out loud while you time him/her for one minute. As the child reads, place a check mark on your copy of the passage over each word that he/she misreads. If the child pauses for three seconds, tell him/her the word and mark it as an error. Do not correct errors during the reading. After one minute, tell the child to stop. Circle the last word the child read. Help the child plot the number of words read on the graph. The goal is 130 words per minute at at least 90% accuracy.

Discuss errors once the child has completed the reading. Discuss word-attack strategies such as sounding out parts of words, looking for smaller words or recognizable chunks within larger words, and thinking about how the meanings of words relate to other parts of the text.

Do not exceed more than four independent readings of a passage in a single session. If the child seems to have too much difficulty, drop to a lower level during the next tutoring session.

Checking for Understanding



5 minutes

Ask the child to retell the passage. Look for detail in his/her retelling. Give the child time to respond independently. If needed, prompt with the following questions:

What sport is Lance Armstrong famous for? (cycling)

What has made Lance most famous? (recovering from cancer)

What helped him both win and survive cancer? (grit and determination)

If time permits, repeat the steps above using part 2 of the passage, *Lance Armstrong*.

Optional Activity



5–10 minutes

PLAYING A WORD GAME: Spread out the game cards with the contractions on one side of the table and the cards with two words on the other. Have the child turn over one card from each side, read the words, and tell you if the two words are the words that make up the contraction. If the words match, the child gets to keep the cards. If the child is incorrect or the words do not form the contraction, he/she should turn the cards over again. It is now your turn. Repeat the game if time permits.

Part 1

Lance Armstrong is one of the most celebrated and recognized athletes in the world. He is a hero for his amazing successes in the sport of cycling, including winning the Tour de France five times.

But this is not the reason why his name has become a household word. He is known for being a gritty, courageous young man who made an amazing comeback from the edge of death. He was given less than a 50 percent chance of surviving advanced cancer. Yet, he fought his way back to good health using the same grit and courage that had served him so well in his cycling career.

Lance became a professional cyclist in 1992. His first race was in Spain. He finished in last place, 27 minutes behind the winner. Another cyclist might have been discouraged enough to quit racing, but not Lance. The experience fired his determination.



Lance wins his first stage in the Tour du Pont in 1993.

Part 2

Over the next two years Lance became a success, winning 10
 many races. Then, in October 1996, severe pain forced Lance 20
 to quit riding. Medical tests revealed that he had advanced 30
 cancer. It had spread to several places in his body, including 41
 his lungs and brain. Doctors gave Lance only a 50/50 chance 53
 of surviving. 55

Lance was very frightened, and he was in severe pain. But he 67
 still had the fierce determination that had served him so well in 79
 his cycling career. He found doctors who not only believed he 90
 could recover from cancer, but who also believed that he might 101
 race again. 103

Miraculously, the chemotherapy began to work, and Lance 111
 recovered. He returned to professional cycling in May 1998. 120
 His most famous cycling achievement has been winning the Tour 130
 de France five years in a row. The Tour de France is considered 143
 the most difficult sporting event in the world. 151

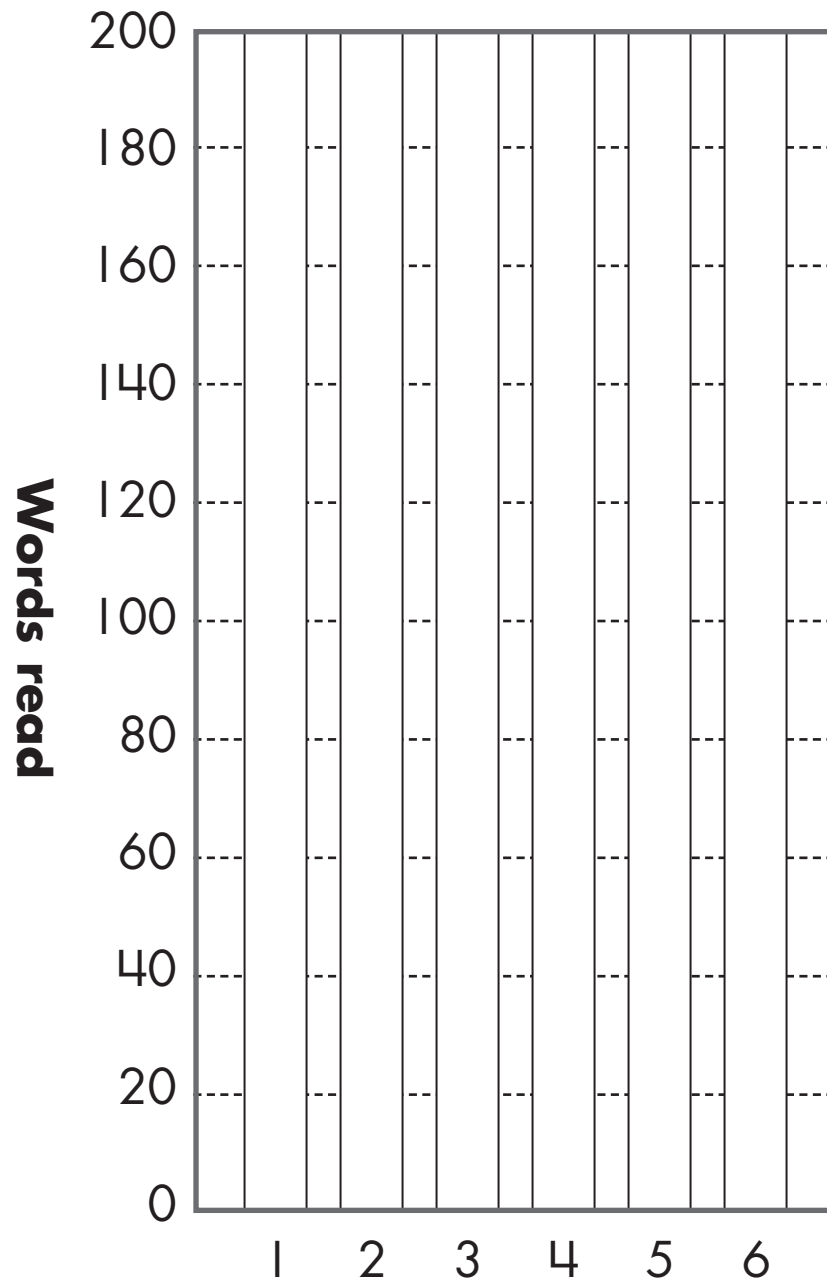


Fluency

Repeated Reading Bar Graph

Lesson T-4

Name _____ Date _____



Number
of errors: _____
1 2 3 4 5 6



does not

doesn't

that will

that'll

they are

they're

has not

hasn't

will not

won't

do not

don't

we have

we've

she will

she'll